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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : General Walsh's proposal for an executive committee

1. This memorandum incorporates my comments on the attached letter from General Walsh, as requested.

2. I do not believe the creation of a new "executive committee" would facilitate Intelligence Board actions. On the contrary the former USCIB Executive Committee tended to bog down in detail precisely because they were so often unable to reach agreement at their level on issues upon which their agencies were divided.

3. I recommend that you discuss General Walsh's letter, briefly, at next Tuesday's Board meeting, and I understand that Sherman Kent has undertaken to coordinate a supporting brief for you. More detailed comments which this Office has supplied Mr. Kent to assist him in his brief are attached.

SIGNED

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Attachment

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